

**PATENT** Attorney Docket No.: N96055

Customer No.: 020991

In re Application of: Douglas M. Dillon

Application No.: 08/838,242

Filed: April 16, 1997 For: Satellite Broadcasting System

**Employing Channel Switching** 

Group Art Unit: 2611 Examiner: J. Miller Date: January 2, 2002

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Petition for Extension of time is attached hereto. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.
- An extension for \_\_\_\_ month(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee for the total months of extension now requested.
- Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional <u>X</u> petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- The fee for claims is calculated below. <u>X</u>

|                               | CLAIMS AS AMENDED |                     |         |                 |                |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------|
|                               | CLAIMS REMAINING  | HIGHEST NUMBER      | PRESENT | RATE            | ADDITIONAL     |
|                               | AFTER AMENDMENT   | PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA   |                 |                |
|                               |                   |                     |         |                 | FEE            |
| TOTAL CLAIMS                  | 68 minus          | 74 =                | 0 x     | \$ 18.00 =      | \$ 0.00        |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS            | 13 minus          | 6 =                 | 7 x     | \$ 84.00 =      | \$588.00       |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS     |                   |                     |         | <b>#</b> 000 00 | •              |
| MOETH LE DEI CHDENT GEAINIG   |                   |                     |         | \$ 280.00 =     | <u>\$ 0.00</u> |
| TOTAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: |                   |                     |         |                 | \$ 588.00      |

Charge \$588.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,

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